

COL. RAUPP EXPLAINS  
QUESTIONS OF BONUS

Commission Will Not Be Able to Begin Payment Until Bonds Are Sold.

Owing to a flood of inquiries which are seriously handicapping the work of the soldier bonus commission, Colonel W. A. Raupp, adjutant general and chairman of the commission has summarized answers to inquiries to that the commission will not be hampered by being compelled to answer letters pertaining to various phases of the question.

Colonel Raupp emphasizes that the commission will not be able to begin payment until after the bonds are sold, about May 1, 1922, and points out that applications prior to that are a waste of time.

Colonel Raupp's statement follows: "Soldier must have resided within the state of Missouri at least twelve months immediately to April 6, 1917."

"Must have served honorably in the military or naval forces of the United States at any time between the sixth day of April, 1917, and the eleventh day of November 1918."

"No person will be entitled to a bonus who has received a bonus from another state for the same service."

"Will be paid only to the individual soldier, who can not assign or sell it. In case of death bonus is payable in order named, to surviving wife, child, mother, father."

"Rate of bonus \$10 a month or major portion thereof, while in active service, not to exceed the sum of \$250."

"The commission will not be able to begin payment until after the bonds are sold, which will be about May 1, 1922, so do not make your application until it is publicly announced it is ready, as you will only waste your time and theirs."

## MRS. JAKE MOUDY DEAD

Mrs. Jake Moudy, age 80 years, passed away at 1:30 o'clock Thursday afternoon, December 15, 1921, at the home of her son, A. F. Moudy, at Kings Prairie. Mrs. Moudy's death was caused by cancer. She has suffered poor health for several years and for the past two months and a half has been confined to her bed.

The deceased was born November 26, 1841, and has spent her entire life on Kings Prairie with the exception of a few years when she lived in town.

The surviving relatives are her husband, two sons, Jim Amhart, of Augusta, Kansas; A. F. Moudy, of Kings Prairie; two daughters, Mrs. S. E. Kirby, of Monett, and Mrs. T. F. Jackson, of Kings Prairie.

Funeral services were held Friday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock from Kings Prairie church, conducted by Rev. E. R. Strubling. Interment was made in the Kings Prairie cemetery.

## VELMA CROWELL DIES

Velma Crowell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Crowell, died Tuesday night, December 6, after two weeks illness with influenza. Funeral services were held at the Methodist church at Aurora, conducted by Rev. C. A. Fly. Interment was made in the Park cemetery.

Miss Crowell was born near Aurora April 1, 1905, being sixteen years, eight months and five days old at the time of her death.

County Superintendent W. E. Hankins has received notice of his appointment as a member of the legislative committee of the State Teachers Association.

## WHY SET APPLE TREES NOW?

Because there are over 50 per cent less apple trees now than there were in 1910, according to the Washington Bureau of reports. There are also over 50 per cent less peach trees than in 1910. What will be the result?

There is going to be a scarcity of fruit in a few years, therefore now is a fine time to get into the game. We have the biggest and nicest block of TWO YEAR old trees we have ever grown, including Black Ben, Ben Davis, Gano, Staymans Winesap, Grimes, King David, Jonathan, and all the leading varieties. We also have a block of one year old trees that please all those who have inspected it. This includes all the standard varieties. We have about 40,000 nice peach trees, also berry plants, cherries, ornamentals and etc. Don't fail to write us at once for our new price list. We will do you right.

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RESTORES ROADWAY SWEEP  
AWAY BY STORMS

Meeting disaster with praiseworthy courage, C. I. Williams, road contractor, has had a big crew of men at work near the "Y" camp repairing the damage done by two heavy rain storms which wrecked large portions of the highway between Branson and Hollister some two weeks ago.

In several places the sustaining wall on the lower side of the cliff road between Coon creek and the "Y" camp, had given way and the new filling caved and slid down the steep side hill almost to the water's edge of the lake. In several places the caving bank took the wall and concrete coping with it, and those who inspected the damage immediately after the storm estimated that the cost of repairs would equal or exceed \$1,500.

Within a few days after the storms Mr. Williams had his men at work, and determining to take no further chances on a retaining wall, he tore down about four hundred feet more has cut out the bank on the upper side and with shovels and scrapers put in a fill that with wide base and thoroughly clayed sides will stand any floods that may come. Although the cost of this repair work has been great, Mr. Williams says he will not stop the work until the road is in even better shape than it was before the damage occurred. Other places in the road where small breaks occur will be repaired by rebuilding the walls and restoring the concrete coping and before the first of January we may see the road in even better shape than before the disaster.

One unfortunate thing about the damage was the fact that just a day or two before the road caved, a State inspector was here and after going over the road reported that it was one of the best pieces of road done in the State this year and he complimented Mr. Williams on having done so thorough and tasty a piece of road building. It is evident that there were no apparent defects in the work at the time, and barring the fact of human help, the floods certainly did the contractor an ill turn, as the road would have been accepted by the State and Mr. Williams been relieved of responsibility.

Work on Hollister Hill is nearly completed and the new road leading to the top of the ridge where it intersects the South State road to Arkansas is an easy grade and smoothly surfaced.

Hollister and Branson may well be proud of two miles of the smoothest and most scenic roadway to be found in the entire Ozark region.—White River Leader.

## JENKINS

Miss Amy Hudson and Clinton Blythe were married Monday, December 12.

The little child of Johnnie Hadley is very ill.

A pie supper will be given at the Jenkins school house Friday. The proceeds are to be used to buy trinkets and gifts for a Christmas tree. We suppose the auctioneer will be Col. Dillard Blankenship as usual.

Mrs. James Evans received word Monday of the death of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Willie Henson of Aurora. The cause of her death is unknown.

Mrs. Mary Hilton and daughter Miss Ivy were shopping in Monett and Aurora Monday.

Bob Wilson lost a good cow Sunday, caused from running on the stalk pasture.

Aunt Sally Snider is very poorly at this writing. Aunt Sally is one of the oldest citizens in this part of the country. She is ninety-three years old. She still resides at her old home on Flat creek. Her grandson Clyde Daugherty lives with her.

Mrs. James Clevenger and daughter Mrs. Bob Wilson of Cato were shopping in Jenkins Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Zinn and family attended the dinner at Star Saturday.

Miss Emma James is working at Crane.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hudson of Monett are visiting the former brother Frank Hudson and sister Mrs. William Blankenship this week.

Mina and Clyde Daugherty and John Snider went to Aurora with a load of wheat Thursday.

Mrs. W. W. Wolfe is visiting in Oklahoma City.

Mrs. R. C. Farrow and Mrs. E. P. Bridwell were shopping in Springfield Friday.

Miss Mildred Freeze, student at the State Teacher's College at Springfield, will arrive this evening to spend the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. C. H. Ring returned Friday morning from Topeka, Kan., where she went to join her mother, Mrs. G. D. Hawes, who has been visiting her daughter at that place, and to accompany her home.

Dr. C. T. Dusenbury was called to the Frisco Station Wednesday evening, to give medical aid to a woman passenger on No. 6, who was injured when she fell as she started to board the train.

MONDAY TO BE OBSERVED  
AS HOLIDAY

Christmas Coming this Year on Sunday, Business Houses Will Close For Holiday Monday.

Christmas comes on Sunday and Monett will observe two days of rest and pleasure by observing Monday as the official holiday.

Christmas is on a holiday of the year that must be observed. It means much to everybody, young and old. All business in Monett will be suspended on Monday and everyone will have time to enjoy the holiday and celebrate the birth of Christ in suitable manner.

FAYETTE WOMAN NAMED  
CONVENTION CANDIDATE

Jefferson City, Mo., Dec. 17.—Mrs. W. W. Martin of Fayette was today appointed by C. E. Yancy of Liberty, chairman of the democratic committee to fill the vacancy in the list of democratic candidates at large for the constitutional convention caused by the resignation yesterday of Mrs. Katherine Halterman of Mount Vernon. The announcement came from democratic headquarters here.

MOORE AND KIRBY TAKE  
CHANGE OF VENUE

The cases of L. C. Moore and Raymond Kirby, who are charged with taking merchandise from Frisco freight cars, came up before Justice E. A. O'Dwyer, Monday. The men asked for change of venue and this was granted. The case will be held before Judge J. L. Hobbs, Thursday, December 22.

NEOSHO PHYSICIAN HEAD  
OF DENTAL ASSOCIATION

Joplin, Mo., Dec. 17.—At the closing session of the annual convention of the Southwest Missouri Dental society, which has been in session here this week, Dr. D. L. Mitchell of Neosho was elected president of the society for the coming year. More than 100 dentists of Southwest Missouri, Kansas and Oklahoma attended the annual convention.

## MT. PLEASANT

The revival at this place closed Wednesday night of last week with fifty-five conversions and twenty-five additions to the church. Rev. Ennis preached some very interesting sermons.

Miss Iva Thomas visited Miss Eva Gahn Sunday.

Misses Mary Johnson and Alma Nichols visited Mrs. Jessie Marshall Sunday evening.

Several from this place attended the play at Macedonia Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Jeffries and Mr. and Mrs. Riley Thomas visited Mrs. Janie Eden Sunday.

There will be a Christmas tree at the Pleasant Valley School house on Friday evening before Christmas. There will be a program given by the school.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Marshall visited Mr. and Mrs. Riley Thomas awhile Sunday night.

There will be prayer meeting at this place every Thursday night.

Mrs. Riley Thomas and daughter, Miss Iva, were shopping in Purdy Saturday evening.

Curtis Long and wife visited Jesse Marshall and wife Friday night.

## LIBERTY

The revival meeting at this place closed Friday night. There were three reclaimed and three additions to the church. There were services Sunday morning also at night as it was our usual meeting day.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Matthews and son spent Saturday and Sunday at Mt. Vernon with the former's parents Mr. and Mrs. I. Matthews.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Beckett, Miss Elma Whaley and little Harold Woods visited Monday with Mr. and Mrs. H. Chitwood.

Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Wolfe and family were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Pick and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Jenkins, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Mulkey, Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Jenkins, Mr. and Mrs. Tal Vantuyt and Witt Jenkins visited Sunday with Mrs. R. L. Matthews near Mt. Vernon.

Rev. G. A. Ferguson, Mrs. W. R. Russell and sons visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Will Davis and son Frank.

The families of John and Loren Mulkey visited their father Jim and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Mulkey and children spent Sunday, with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wolfe.

Mrs. Bess Hancock of Crane is visiting her brother Jim McCormack and family.

Margaret Miller, Jessie Wilkes and Opal McCormick visited Sunday with Thelma Hillhouse and Wilma Mulkey.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Fletcher attended the Monett-Carthage football game at Neosho Saturday.

Mrs. C. C. Russell visited last week with her son Ed Russell and family.

CHRISTMAS CANTATA AT  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The choir of the Presbyterian church will give a Christmas cantata, "The Good Shepherd," at the church Sunday evening, to which the public is invited. Following is the program: Introduction (Organ) Mrs. M. C. Shipley.

Make a Joyful Noise, Choir composed of Mrs. W. F. Landrum, Mrs. H. T. Osborn, Mrs. George J. C. Wilhelm, Mrs. L. H. Ferguson, Mrs. W. J. Mills, Mrs. H. M. McIntosh, Mrs. O. H. Hudson, H. H. Westhay, H. C. Fleming, Leslie Mason and Dr. F. T. Dobson.

I will Search My Sheep, Mrs. H. T. Osborn and Choir.

He Shall Feed His Flock, Mrs. H. T. Osborn.

Give Ear, O Shepherd of Israel, Choir.

Rejoice with Me, Leslie Mason and Choir.

One Fold and One Shepherd, Mrs. H. T. Osborn and Quartet composed of Mrs. Landrum, Mrs. Mills, Leslie Mason and H. C. Fleming.

He Slumbers Not, not Sleeps, Mrs. Landrum.

Like Wandering Sheep, H. C. Fleming.

Praise His Name, Leslie Mason and Choir.

Mrs. Shipley is accompanist for all selections.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES

James Kirby — Los Angeles, Cal.

Sylvia Jones — West Plains, Mo.

Willie Payne — Marionville.

Velma Dunnaway — Aurora.

Floyd E. Armstrong — Monett.

Lulu Finley — Lockwood.

F. H. Wheeler — Aurora.

Flora Leota Thompson — Marionville.

Thomas M. Hall — Aurora.

Helen Howard — Aurora.

Albert Knowles Fletcher — Monett.

Zenna Jane Mulkey — Monett.

## CLARK

School is progressing nicely with Guy Cowherd as teacher.

Most everybody in this vicinity is being vaccinated for smallpox.

Jim Jones and wife visited at Joe Jones Sunday.

Those who visited at Knox Garrison Sunday were Misses Eupha Rhea, Goldie Sooter, Flossie Burton and Messrs Arthur Warren, Gies Daugherty, Earl Graber, Raymond Riddle, Euell Lansdown, and Earl Hollabaugh.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McKee and wife and little daughter Imogene visited Otto Linebarger and wife Sunday.

Eston Rhea and family visited his mother Mrs. Nannie Rhea Sunday.

Those who visited at Jim Jones Sunday were Misses Mabel Warren, Norma Autry, Eunice Linebarger and Messrs Herschel Smyth, Boyd Ghan, Orin Link, Paul Linebarger and Otis Eden.

Most every one in this community has been killing hogs.

Don Cloud and family visited at W. H. Blacks Saturday night and Sunday.

Paul Linebarger has purchased a new buggy.

Effie Garrison spent Saturday night with Flossie Burton.

Several from around here attended the ball game at Butterfield Saturday.

Miss Edna Higgs visited Miss Gertha Keeling Saturday night.

Next Sunday is Rev. Ollie Ennis regular appointment at Mt. Pleasant. Everyone come and bring some body with you.

## MT. OLIVE NEWS

Mrs. Cora Mackey called on Mrs. J. H. Burnett Monday afternoon.

Miss Ella Moening is very ill with typhoid fever. Her many friends hope for a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. John Means and daughter Anna Rachel were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Russell Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Haggard and sons Mr. and Mrs. Earl Foster and Miss Loa Fleetwood visited Sunday at the home of Troy Beckett.

Mr. and Mrs. Muri Means spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Northcutt.

Mrs. Floa Haggard spent Monday evening with Mrs. Cora Mackey.

T. Haggard and daughter, Miss Irene attended church at Liberty Sunday night.

Dr. A. S. Hawkins went to Claremore, Okla., Thursday, to visit his daughter, Mrs. Will Kates.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Veith left Thursday night for Clinton, Ill., for a visit.

The L. E. Lines Music Company shipped a fine piano to Dr. Ralph W. Steele, of Decatur, Ark., Thursday.

Mrs. J. A. Amber left Wednesday for Oklahoma City, to visit her daughter, Mrs. Earl Johnson.

The Bank of Neosho has a new depositor today—a fine baby son who was born at 2:45 a. m. to Mr. and Mrs. Orval Epperson at their home at 244 South Hamilton street. The new arrival has been named Orval Wilfred.—Neosho Daily Democrat.

SPECIAL SERVICES  
AT THE CHURCHES

Monett churches held special services Sunday night, and good crowds are reported at all of them.

At the Baptist church, a very successful three weeks' revival meeting closed with the Sunday night service, Evangelist W. M. Martin preached his most wonderful sermon on that night and left a deep and lasting impression on his hearers. Mrs. Martin, who had charge of the singing during the meeting, had a large chorus at this meeting and the music was most inspiring. A man's chorus of fourteen male voices gave a special number. Thirty-nine additions to the church were the visible results of the meeting and the entire membership was encouraged and inspired by the spiritual sermons by the evangelist.

At the Presbyterian church on Sunday evening, the choir gave a cantata, "The Good Shepherd," with organ accompaniment by Mrs. Shipley. The music was beautiful and every selection was well given, showing careful preparation.

At the Methodist church, the Monett Boys Band played and there were other musical numbers and readings. The program was very interesting and the boys played excellent music as usual.

At the Christian church Rev. W. A. Burrus preached the last of a series of very interesting discourses on the book of Revelation.

Rev. Foster, of Carthage, priest in charge of St. Stephens Episcopal church, was here Sunday night, and conducted services at the church.

FULL HOUSE AT  
SECOND PERFORMANCE

The second performance of "Oh Millie Wait a Minute," the home talent musical comedy play staged by Monett Chapter DeMolay, was presented to a full house Saturday night at the Rialto Theatre.

Like the first night, everything went off splendidly; every character part was acted to perfection and the choruses were beautiful. The parts were handled with almost professional skill.

An additional number was on the program Saturday night that was not given at the first performance. Miss Opal Kring very gracefully danced the "Bubble Dance," with piano accompaniment by Miss Fern Breece, and violin accompaniment by Miss Loraine Kring. Miss Kring was encored a number of times.

The play itself was not only a success, but the financial side also was more than was expected. The boys cleared \$125.00.

CASE AGAINST BERT SMITH  
IN FEDERAL COURT

The case of the Kansas City Saddle Company against Bert Smith of this city, is pending in Federal court and will be tried the first Monday in January, 1922. D. S. Mayhew is attorney for the plaintiff. It is a petition to declare Mr. Smith involuntary bankrupt by the court. The case will be tried in Joplin.

TAFFY PULL IS AMUSEMENT AT  
SUNDAY SCHOOL PARTY

The M. A. R. S. Sunday school class of the Presbyterian church of which Mrs. Wm. E. Gray is the teacher, enjoyed a class party at the church Friday evening. At the business meeting they made plans for future activities and elected officers to serve next year. The elected ones were: Truman Dobson, president; Leonard Gabriel, vice president; Miss Charlotte Bradford, secretary and treasurer. Following the business session they made candy and enjoyed a taffy pull. Those who were there were Misses Charlotte Bradford, Ruth Feist, Ruth Mahoney, Ethel Archdale, Dorothy Burke, Alice Planchon, Margaret Chapell Messrs Truman Dobson, Leonard Gabriel, Louis Wilhelm, Louis Stone, Hays Heimbaugh, Burt Johnson, Frank Reed, Roy Kimberling and the teacher, Mrs. Wm. E. Gray.

Mrs. Eli DeBrosse spent Saturday with her daughter at Neosho.

Mrs. Mary Richards went to Sarcocoe, Friday, to spend two days with her daughter, Mrs. Chas. LeFurjah.

Mrs. Wm. Thompson was among the Monett people who visited in Springfield, Friday.

Roger Adams, of Wichita, Kan., was the guest today of Mrs. John O'Connell and her mother, Mrs. Margaret Hall. Mr. Adams is enroute home from St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Williams have moved to Sarcocoe, Mr. Williams having work on the new road west of that place.

Mrs. Will Wade, of Joplin, visited between trains Friday morning with Mrs. Walter Draper and Mrs. Olla Boynton, enroute to St. Louis, where she will meet her daughter, Miss Elma Wade who will come from California to spend the holidays with her parents.

OPERATIONS RESUMED  
ON JENKINS WELL

Operations have been resumed at the Monett-Jenkins well after a shutdown of several days on account of lost tools in the hole. Only thirty minutes was required to fish out the broken stem and bit from the well when the proper tools arrived for the work. However, much delay was occasioned on account of the wrong tools being sent. Monett is so far away from the field that it takes time to get tools when a breakdown occurs. Some oil has been encountered and the hole was bailed dry last night and the formation carefully tested out but it is not the intention of the management to shoot the well at this time. Indications lead officials to believe that only from fifty to two hundred feet is necessary before a large sand will be encountered that will give good run of oil worth while.

R. O. Bodine, President of the Barry County Oil and Gas Co., has resigned his position as Trustee of company and left Saturday night for the Kansas fields where he has large oil interests. Pressing business of his own made this step necessary. He retains his interests in the company but will not be active in the management of the company in the future. Before leaving Mr. Bodine stated positively that he believed a good oil well would be found on the present location at Jenkins and that Monett would soon become a real oil town.

E. L. Thomas, Cashier of the Bank of Jenkins, takes over the Presidency of the Barry County Oil and Gas Co., and will be the future head of the oil company. T. F. Denman, Vice President of the Company and Geologist remains with the firm.

MEETING CLOSED  
SUNDAY NIGHT

One of the best meetings held for many years in the First Baptist church here closed Sunday night with a crowded house and fine interest. There were five or six decisions and 4 additions to the church at this last meeting. There were 2 additions at the morning service making six during the day and bringing the total during the meeting to 39, all but one, grown people. Evangelist Martin has done fine preaching and his wife has led the splendid chorus choir and the Boosters to the delight of every one. They are not leaving the city at once but will be here over Wednesday and the evangelist will preach at the prayer meeting hour Wednesday evening and a large number of the converts will be baptized. The service will be evangelistic and some have expressed their intention to unite with the church at that time. Every body invited.

## C. F. Whitlock

## MENDON

The men in this community met Monday and did some much needed work on the telephone line.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Rausch were trading in Monett Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Davis of Monett spent Monday evening with B. C. Wolfe and family.

Mrs. August Krueger went to Springfield Thursday and stayed until Sunday with her sister Mrs. Harry Wallace of Cassville who underwent an operation Friday morning. She reports her sister doing nicely.

Mrs. Ida Jones of Monett spent Wednesday with her cousin B. C. Wolfe and family.

## NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the regular annual meeting of Lawrence, Barry and Stone County Mutual Life Association will be held at the City Hall, Aurora, Mo., January 2, 1922, at 1 p. m. to transact any and all business that may come before members assembled; also to elect officers for ensuing year.

All members are urged to attend, and offer suggestions for good of association.

John S. Ryker, President

Mrs. E. I. Bagby, Secretary.

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ATTENTION DAIRYMAN!

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